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Customer No. 22,852  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Toshiya KOTANI et al. )  
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Application No.: 09/748,227 )  
) Group Art Unit: 2625  
Filed: December 27, 2000 )  
) Examiner: Kanjibhai B. Patel  
For: MASK PATTERN CORRECTION )  
METHOD, MASK PATTERN )  
CREATION SYSTEM USING THE )  
CORRECTION METHOD, AND )  
COMPUTER-READABLE )  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of March 9, 2004. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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